

Information about Genealogy Research:

* Please note that the Clerk's office does not provide genealogy research to patrons. If you do not have the exact date of when the event (birth, death, marriage) occurred, this can make it very difficult to find you can also contact the [State of Vermont](#) to find out more about genealogy research. The Burlington Office only has records for events that occurred in Burlington, VT

Q. How far back to your birth, death, and marriage records go?

- A. Birth certificates go as far back as 1790
- Death certificates go as far back as 1805
- Marriage certificates go as far back as 1789

Please note that many of the vital records from early the late 1700s to the mid 1850s were not very well recorded and we may not have particular records.

Q. How do I go about getting copies of the records I'm looking for?

- A. If you know the exact dates of the records you are looking for, you can simply fill out the [request form](#) and follow the directions at the top of the page.

Q. Can I come in and look through the records for my genealogy research?

- A. Yes. We are open between the hours of 8:00am-4:30pm, Monday through Friday (we are closed for all Federal and State Holidays). Our vault is located in the Clerk/Treasurer's Office on the 2nd floor of City Hall at 149 Church Street. If you're unsure how to go about looking up the records, simply ask someone at the front counter and they would be happy to assist you.

Q. Can I request this information online?

- A. No. You can either come into the Clerk's office to obtain the information, or you can mail us a [request form](#).

Q. How much do the birth, death and marriage certificates cost?

- A. A certified copy (raised seal) of a certificate is \$10.00 per copy and \$2.00 for a regular copy (no raised seal). Cash or check only-the Clerk's office does not have a credit/debit card machine. Checks can be made payable to the City of Burlington.

Q. Do you have naturalization papers at the Clerk's office?

- A. No, the Clerk's office does not keep naturalization papers. For individuals naturalized in Vermont by a Federal Court before or after 1906, may contact the [National Archives and Records Administration](#)

(NARA) Records Center in Waltham, MA. Copies after 1906 records from State Courts remain in the Custody of the [U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Services](#) - it is recommended to use the [Vermont State Archives](#) (802-828-0405) or Superior Courts in order to seek these records.

* More questions about genealogy? Feel free to contact the Clerk's office at (802) 865-7000